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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 263

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 263 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The University of Illinois Act is amended by
5 changing Section 8 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 305/8) (from Ch. 144, par. 29)

7 Sec. 8. Admissions.

8 (a) (Blank). ~~No student shall be admitted to instruction in~~
9 ~~any of the departments of the University who shall not have~~
10 ~~attained to the age of fifteen (15) years, and who shall not~~
11 ~~previously undergo a satisfactory examination in each of the~~
12 ~~branches ordinarily taught in the common schools of the state.~~

13 (b) In addition, commencing in the fall of 1993, no new
14 student shall then or thereafter be admitted to instruction in
15 any of the departments or colleges of the University unless
16 such student also has satisfactorily completed:

1 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
2 the following 5 categories:

3 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
4 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
5 years may be collegiate level instruction;

6 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
7 and government);

8 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
9 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
10 fundamentals of computer programming);

11 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences); and

12 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language,
13 music, vocational education or art;

14 (2) except that institutions may admit individual
15 applicants if the institution determines through
16 assessment or through evaluation based on learning
17 outcomes of the coursework taken, including vocational
18 education courses and courses taken in a charter school
19 established under Article 27A of the School Code, that the
20 applicant demonstrates knowledge and skills substantially
21 equivalent to the knowledge and skills expected to be
22 acquired in the high school courses required for admission.
23 The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois shall
24 not discriminate in the University's admissions process
25 against an applicant for admission because of the
26 applicant's enrollment in a charter school established

1 under Article 27A of the School Code. Institutions may also
2 admit 1) applicants who did not have an opportunity to
3 complete the minimum college preparatory curriculum in
4 high school, and 2) educationally disadvantaged applicants
5 who are admitted to the formal organized special assistance
6 programs that are tailored to the needs of such students,
7 providing that in either case, the institution
8 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
9 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
10 course deficiencies; and

11 (3) except that up to 3 of the 15 units of coursework
12 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
13 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
14 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
15 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
16 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

17 (c) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
18 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
19 coursework required by subsection (b).

20 (d) A student who has graduated from high school and has
21 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or SAT
22 shall not be required to take the high school level General
23 Educational Development (GED) Test as a prerequisite to
24 admission.

25 (Source: P.A. 91-374, eff. 7-30-99.)

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.".